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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Attached please find Form PTO-1449 together with the references as stated in the specification. No translations are available at this time.

- US 4,167,386 regarding an extrusion die plate with an abrasion resistant coating.
- US 4,378,964 regarding an extrusion die with a layer of insulating material between the area of the extrusion ports and the die body.
- US 4,516,925 regarding an extrusion die with sintered hard tips and a sintered facing for abrasion resistance.
- US 4,752,196 regarding an extrusion die with thermally conductive wear resistant inserts to bring heat to the face of the die to prevent freeze off of the polymer being extruded.
- US 4,822,546 regarding an extrusion die with a stepped increase in the diameter of the extrusion orifices to prevent deformation by water currents during pelletization.

- US 4,856,974 regarding an extrusion die with thermally conductive inserts that transfer heat from the die body through an insulating layer to the die face to prevent freeze off and plugging of the extrusion orifices due to freezing of the polymer while still in the orifice.

Favorable action is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted
for Applicant,

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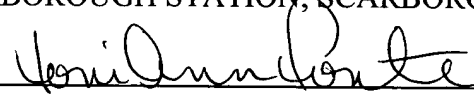
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